

Amendment and Response
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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application:

1. (Currently amended) A landscaping block, comprising:

a top surface and an opposed bottom surface;

first and second opposed sides, each side extending from the top surface to the bottom surface;

opposed substantially planar first and second ends, each end extending from the top surface to the bottom surface and from the first side to the second side, the first end being wider than the second end at a surface selected from the top and bottom surfaces, the first end being larger in area than the second end;

the first side comprising a first upper face extending from the top to a first ledge, the first ledge extending to a first lower face;

the first ledge extending outward from the first ~~side~~ upper face;

the first side comprising only one ledge;

the second side comprising a second upper face extending from the top to a second ledge, the second ledge extending to a second lower face;

the second ledge extending outward from the second ~~side~~ upper face;

and

the second side comprising only one ledge.

Claims 2 to 7 (Cancelled).

8. (Previously presented) The landscaping block of claim 1 wherein, when the first side of the landscaping block is placed adjacent the second side of another landscaping block, the first and second ledges form an interlocking relationship.

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9. (Currently amended) A landscaping block system comprising multiple blocks, each block having:

a top surface and an opposed bottom surface;

first and second generally opposed sides, each side extending from the top to the bottom;

opposed substantially planar first and second ends, each end extending from the top to the bottom and from the first side to the second side, the first end being larger in surface area than the second end;

the first side including a first upper face extending from the top to a first ledge, the first ledge extending to a first lower face;

the first ledge extending outward from the first side upper face;

the first side comprising only one ledge;

the second side including a second upper face extending from the top to a second ledge, the second ledge extending to a second lower face;

the second ledge extending outward from the second side upper face;

the second side comprising only one ledge; and

the blocks being positioned such that when the first side of the landscaping block is placed adjacent either the first or second side of another of the landscaping blocks, the first and second ledges form an interlocking relationship.

Claims 10 to 13 (Cancelled).

14. (Withdrawn, Currently amended) A method of installing a landscaping block system, comprising:

(i) providing multiple landscaping blocks,

each block having a top surface and an opposed bottom surface;

opposed first and second ends;

first and second opposed sides;

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each end extending from the top surface to the bottom surface and from the first side to the second side, the first end being larger in surface area than the second end;

each side extending from the top to the bottom;

the first side including a first upper face extending from the top to a first ledge, the first ledge extending to a first lower face;

the first ledge extending outward from the first ~~side~~ upper face;

the first side comprising only one ledge;

the second side including a second upper face extending from the top to a second ledge, the second ledge extending to a second lower face;

the second ledge extending outward from the second ~~side~~ upper face;

the second side comprising only one ledge; and

(ii) placing one of the multiple of landscaping blocks adjacent another of the multiple of landscaping blocks such that either of the first and second ledges on the adjacent blocks forms an interlocking relationship.

15 (Withdrawn). The method of installing a landscaping block system of claim 14 further comprising placing a first block of the multiple of landscaping blocks with its bottom surface facing down adjacent a second block of the multiple of landscaping blocks with its top surface facing down.

Claims 16 to 18 (Cancelled).

19 (Currently amended). A landscaping block, comprising:

a top surface and an opposed bottom surface;

first and second opposed sides, each side extending from the top surface to the bottom surface;

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opposed substantially planar first and second ends, each end extending from the top surface to the bottom surface and from the first side to the second side, the first end being larger in surface area than the second end;

the first side including a first upper face extending from the top to a first ledge, the first ledge extending to a first lower face;

the first side comprising only one ledge;

the second side including a second upper face extending from the top to a second ledge, the second ledge extending to a second lower face; and

the second side comprising only one ledge;

so that, by placing one landscaping block adjacent another landscaping block, either of the first and second ledges on the adjacent blocks forms an interlocking relationship.